

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS

Sub a 1. A method of displaying a child's book for self-reading by a child comprising the steps of:

5 receiving data, with a computer system, that represents both the sequential words of at least one child's book and an associated audible representation of each of said words;

displaying said sequential words on a display medium forming part of said computer system;

10 displaying a visual indicator associated with said first word in said sequence of printed words on said display medium;

moving a cursor on said screen relative to said visual indicator to cause said audible representation of said word to be audibilized; and

automatically and sequentially moving said visual indicator from one word to the next, beginning with said first word, as each word is audibilized by movement of said cursor until the words of said child's book are read.

2. The method of claim 1 further comprising the steps of:
 storing said data representing both said sequential words and said
 associated audible representations of each word on a CD-ROM for
 transmission to ^{a personal} ~~said~~ computer system; and
 5 storing a program in ^{association with said personal} ~~said~~ computer system for enabling said words
 and associated audible representation to be sequentially selected for
 audibilization.

3. The method of claim 2 further comprising the steps of:
 using a PC display screen as said display medium; and
 using a cursor control device for generating signals that are coupled
 to said PC display screen for moving said cursor relative to said visual
 5 indicator and cause said audible representation of said word associated with
 said visual indicator.

3. The method of claim 1 further including the steps of:
 storing said data representing both said sequential words and
 associated audible representations of a plurality of children's books and a
 corresponding program on a single storage medium; and
 5 selecting data representing any one of said children's books for
 display on said display ^{screen} ~~medium~~.

4. The method of claim 1 further including the step of providing a
 television set with a ^{said} ~~display screen as said display medium~~, said television set
 having a normal ^{television} ~~signal~~ input and an optional input for receiving said data
 representing both said sequential words and associated audible representations,
 5 ~~and a program for controlling said computer system.~~

Sub a2

- 5 6. The method of claim 5 further including the steps of:
 storing said sequential words and associated audible representations
 on a cartridge-type storage medium;
 inserting said cartridge-type storage medium in a slot in a control
 device;
 providing a data output from the control device representing both
 said sequential words and associated audible representations stored on said
 cartridge-type storage medium in accordance with a stored program;
 10 a selector switch coupled between said television set, said normal
 TV input signal, and said control device for enabling either said control device
 output or said normal TV signal to be coupled to said television set such that
 when said selector switch couples said control device output to said television
 set, said sequentially ordered words and associated visual indicator appears on
 said television display screen under the control of said program; and
 15 providing user controls on said control device to move said cursor
 relative to said visual indicator to cause said audible representation of said
 word associated with said visual indicator.

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- The method of claim 6 further including the step of storing both the
 sequential words and associated audible representations of a plurality of
 children's books on a single cartridge-type storage medium.

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